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1. TO PERMIT PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL SHOWING OPTIMUM RESPONSE TO GOG DESIRES, CTMI HAS ASKED WHETHER EMBASSY CAN FIND OUT DATE GOG PREFERS TO RECEIVE COMPLETED ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF GRAND POUBARA PROJECT -- I.E., THE TIME GOG WOULD ALLOW FOR PREPARATION OF THAT ANALYSIS. MBOUY-BOUTZIT, WHEN QUERIED JULY 27 BY BLANC OF CTMI, MENTIONED DECEMBER 1976 DATE. HOWEVER, THIS DEADLINE IS NOW IMPOSSIBLE FOR CTMITO MEET BECAUSE OF PROBABLE LATE DATE FOR STARTING WORK ON THE ANALYSIS AS RESULT OF NOT RECEIVING EDF PRELIMINARY REPORT EARLIER. THEREFORE, IT HAS NOW BECOME CRITICAL FOR CTMI TO HAVE A CURRENT READING OF MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM LIMITS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TIMEFRAME GOG WILL ALLOW CTMI FOR PREPARING THE

ECONOMIC ANALYSIS.

2. COMMERCE/MEPD AND CTMI HIGHLY GRATIFIED TO KNOW

EDF PRELIMINARY REPORT POUCHED SEPTEMBER 22 (REF C). COMMERCE/MEPD WILL PASS DOCUMENT TO CTMI AS SOON AS IT REACHES WASHINGTON.

3. COMMERCE/MEPD WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND AMBASSADOR IN STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS FOR EXCEPTIONAL RESOURCEFULNESS AND PRESERVERANCE IN PRESSING CHAMBRIER AND SEEC FOR EDF REPORT (REFS A AND B). SUCCESS, AS INDICATED REF. C, IS A HIGHLY LAUDABLE ACCOMPLISHMENT AND ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO KEEPING CTMI IN THE RUNNING. IT IS ALSO MOST GRATIFYING TO NOTE AMBASSADOR'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO PERSUADE GOG TO GIVE U.S. FIRMS EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO COMPETE FOR THE MUCH MORE LUCRATIVE ENGINEERING, PROJECT SUPERVISION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT ELEMENTS OF GRAND POUBARA (PARA 4, REF A). KISSINGER

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